

CITY OF HUNTERS CREEK VILLAGE, TEXAS  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
January 22, 2013

The City Council of the City of Hunters Creek Village, Texas held its regular meeting on Tuesday, January 22, 2013, at City Hall, #1 Hunters Creek Place, Hunters Creek Village, Texas.

Present:	Mayor	David Wegner
	Council Members:	Steve Reichek
		Fidel Sapien
		Bonnie McMillan
		Michael Schoenberger
		Jim Pappas
	City Administrator/ City Secretary:	Deborah Loesch
	City Attorney:	Donna Johnson

With a quorum of the Council Members present, Mayor David Wegner called the session to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jeff Weems, Memorial Drive Manor subdivision, spoke before Council regarding registration policies or regulations to require extra security patrol in subdivisions to register with the City or Memorial Villages Police Department. His concern was the aggressive attitudes of these types of security patrols and citizens tend to rely on the security patrol instead of the Police Department.

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report. City Treasurer Doug Abbott presented the monthly financial reports for the months of November and December 2012 along with the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2012 investment report. He reported that all bank accounts have been reconciled without adjustments.

Police Commissioner. Outgoing Police Chief Haril Walpole introduced interim Chief Roy Osborne that will be replacing him temporarily while the Commission is recruiting for the replacement. His last day of duty is January 31<sup>st</sup>. He reported no burglaries occurring during the holidays. Currently the department is operating under budget at the end of 2012. A contract was renewed for a fully outfitted police car for both MVPD and Hedwig Village PD. Mayor Wegner thanked Chief Walpole for his service to the department and the community.

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding issuance and use of badges for Hunters Creek Village Police Commissioners.

A motion was made by Councilmember McMillan with a second by Councilmember Reichek to approve Resolution No. 2013-05 specifically directing the City's Police Commissioners to refrain from carrying any badge or similar symbol or device issued by the MVPD and return any badges or similar symbol or device to MVPD. The motion carried unanimously.

Fire Commissioner. Councilmember Pappas reported that the ISO rating evaluation was now in progress and continue to operate within budget amounts.

City Administrator Report.

Update on City Hall Addition & Renovations project. Deborah Loesch reported that the project is fully under way with the relocation of the mechanical and plumbing facilities to make way for the addition.

Ms. Loesch advised Council that the Planning & Zoning Commission currently has 3 separate subdivision replats filed and one of them involves a new subdivision with a private street. The subdivision final plat with the private street requires approval by the City Council and that a special meeting of the Council held jointly with Planning & Zoning Commission would be scheduled in early February. She also reported that candidate packets for the May 11, 2013 general election will be ready for distribution by Monday, January 28<sup>th</sup> with the first day to file is January 30 and the last day to file is March 1.

Building Official Report.

Tom Fullen, Building Official, reviewed the report of new residences under construction through January 21, 2013 with 32 new residences currently under construction. Staff is continuing to be active in the enforcement of code violations in the city and have had citations issued with Municipal Court to violators.

A hearing was held with the property owner of 311 Voss Road. Tom Fullen reported that the violations and substandard conditions at this location continue to exist since the August 28<sup>th</sup> meeting with no evidence of any activity to correct the violations in the past 90 days. The structure remains an unsafe structure for almost a year since the fire. Mr. Guy Willibey, owner, was present for the hearing. Hearing evidence and testimony of Mr. Willibey, the following action was taken:

Discussion and possible action to consider action reasonably required to address the substandard condition of the subject buildings at 311 Voss Road.

A motion was made by Councilmember Reichek with a second by Councilmember Schoenberger to order the substandard structures located at 311 Voss Road to be demolished by the owner within 30 days of the date of the order. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor and Council Reports and Comments.

A proclamation was issued by the City Council to Mayor Sue Speck of the City of Hedwig Village for her leadership and dedication of service to the Memorial Villages community to continue to the METRO general mobility funding through 2024. The proclamation will be presented to her by Mayor Wegner at their meeting in February.

I-10 noise abatement update. Mayor Wegner reported that a meeting was held with Representative John Culberson again with no federal funding available to correct this problem. The next step of action will be to pursue TXDOT and petition between the 6 villages to the State for funding for the installation of the quieter surface materials from Loop 610 at I-10 west to Bunker Hill.

Comments or suggestions for items to include on future agendas. Council requested to discuss at the next meeting the possibility of considering engaging a lobbyist to represent the City's interests to the appropriate state departments to pursue the I-10 noise abatement issue. Councilmember Sapien requested a review by the City Attorney on regulating private security companies in the City.

City Engineer's Report. The City Engineer, Charles Eastland, presented the monthly report on the following:

Voss Road retaining wall at Smithdale. The project design is underway with construction time line sometime during the summer of 2013. Construction easements will be needed and plan to meet with the affected residents in March.

Voss Road curb repairs. Stripes and Stops was contracted to perform the curb repair and restriping of the esplanades on Voss Road and other identified damaged curbs along Voss Road. Work should be completed in February.

Voss Road and Memorial Drive intersection traffic signal study. The study will be completed within a week and will include recommendations for changing the timing and phasing of the signals to keep the traffic flowing. They will include the intersection of Beinhorn and Voss as well in the study.

Roadway damage at 518 Wellesley. The sprinkler system at this location was reconnected during the paving construction project, connecting the system to an abandoned line under the pavement. Resulting in a water leak, over time, the soils under the pavement was affected and caused the roadway to crack about 100' in length. The estimated cost of repairs is \$25,000 and will not be covered by the paving contractor's warranty. A meeting is planned with the landscaping company hired by the property owners this week to discuss.

HCFCD cleaning of Soldiers Creek Channel. Bio Landscaping was contracted by Harris County Flood Control District to clear dead trees and vines from Soldiers Creek between Voss Road and Buffalo Bayou. The work is significantly complete at this time.

Erosion study for Soldiers Creek. A proposal is being prepared for an erosion study to review the potential repairs and identify the degree of erosion to the segment of the creek between Memorial Drive and Buffalo Bayou. The cost of the study would be shared by Piney Point Village as per the settlement agreement.

Piney Point Village's Soldiers Creek Impact Study review. They have completed their review of the SCIS and presented their comments to Council and are prepared to forward to Piney Point's engineer for a response. Piney Point removed the restrictor at Hedwig Road and Kemwood and confirmed on January 9, 2013. Hunters Creek closed the storm sewer connection at Timberglen and Kemwood on January 11, 2013. These actions were done as part of the settlement agreement between the cities.

CONSENT AGENDA. A motion was made by Councilmember McMillan with a second by Councilmember Reichel, the Council voted unanimously to approve and adopt consent agenda items 1 through 6 as follows:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the November 27, 2012 and January 8, 2013 meetings.
2. Approval of the Cash Disbursement Journal for November and December 2012.
3. Approval of an agreement with the Spring Branch ISD for the assessment and collection of ad valorem taxes through August 31, 2015.
4. Approval of Ordinance No. 807 providing for the holding of a general election on May 11, 2013, for the purpose of electing a mayor and two (2) council members (Position Nos. 4 and 5), and providing details relating to the holding of the election.
5. Approval of Resolution No. 2013-03 designating the Houston Chronicle as the official newspaper for fiscal year 2013.
6. Approval of Resolution No. 2013-04 confirming the City Council has reviewed the City's Investment Policy and Investment Strategies and has concluded that no changes are necessary or advisable.

REGULAR AGENDA

7. Discussion and possible action to consider proposed paving improvements for Ripple Creek.

The City Engineer presented his assessment of the replacement (maintenance) of the paving surface in deteriorated areas instead of the reconstruction of the entire street. Based on his analysis they identified a quantity of approximately 16-20% of the pavement area for replacement. The maintenance repairs would improve the street rating condition from a "3" to a "5" or "6". He also presented a detailed drawing of the identified locations. City Council recommended that the residents on Ripple Creek submit a petition to the Council at the next meeting for a 24' wide concrete street with or without speed humps (temporary or permanent) to change

speed behavior or any other proposed improvements. There was discussion with no formal action taken.

8. Discussion and possible action to consider an ordinance amending Article II, Chapter 36, Section 36-28(a)(4) of the Code of Ordinances amending the minimum street frontage standards on a cul-de-sac lot from forty feet to thirty-five feet.

A motion was made by Councilmember Pappas with a second by Councilmember Sapien to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 808 amending Article II, Chapter 36, Section 36-28(a)(4) of the Code of Ordinances amending the minimum street frontage standards on a cul-de-sac lot from forty feet to thirty-seven feet. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Discussion and possible action to consider an ordinance adopting budget amendment #7 for fiscal year 2012.

Item tabled.

10. Discussion and possible action to consider an ordinance adopting budget amendment #1 for fiscal year 2013.

A motion was made by Councilmember Schoenberger with a second by Councilmember McMillan to adopt Ordinance No. 809 for budget amendment #1 to fiscal year budget 2013 providing appropriation for capital projects for Ripple Creek and City Hall renovations. The motion carried unanimously.

#### ADJOURN OPEN MEETING

A motion was made by Councilmember Pappas with a second by Councilmember Schoenberger to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah L. Loesch, TRMC  
City Administrator/City Secretary

These minutes were approved on the 26th day of February, 2013.

Ordinance Nos. 808 and 809 are on file in the City Secretary's Office and are made a part of these minutes by reference only.